(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) and (e) A Statement is enclosed. (*See* below)

(f) 6337/6338 Ernakulam-Rajkot Express via Diva-Vasai Road (Mumbai)-Ahmedabad has been extended upto Okha via Dwarka w.e.f. 09.11.2001 and its frequency has been increased from weekly to bi-weekly w.e.f. 09.01.2002. Further it is proposed to extend 5045/5046 Gorakhpur-Ahmedabad Express (weekly) to Okha via Dwarka during 2002-2003.

Statement

Passenger Traffic Profile-Comparative figures (May to April Figures)

Stations	Passengers booked during 1999-2000	Passengers booked during 2000-01	% increase/ decrease
Mumbai Central-Dwarka	19018	20815	(+) 9.45
Dwarka-Mumbai Central	8340	17827	(+)113.75
Mumbai Central-Veraval	18797	18618	(−) 0.95
Veraval-Mumbai Central	16245	17431	(+) 7.30
Ahmedabad-Dwarka	12966	13513	(+) 4.22
Dwaraka-Ahmedabad	6318	8969	(+) 37.21
Ahmedabad-Veraval	64209	69549	(+) 8.32
Veraval-Ahmedabad	54012	53320	(−) 1.28

Commissions for Rail Accidents

1037. **SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister** of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Judicial Commissions appointed to go into Rail Accidents during the last five years;

(b) the names of Judges appointed, with their tenures in Commissions;

(c) whether the Railways have a mechanism to see that recommendations of Commissions are implemented; and

(d) if so, whether recommendations of Judicial Commissions have been implemented by Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) Three Inquiry Commissions were set up to inquire into causes of train accidents in the five years. Details of these Commissions are as follows:

Date of Accidents	Place	Name of the Judge	Duration
26-11-1998	Khanna-Chawapail	Justice G.C. Garg, Retired Judge of Punjab and Haryana High Court	02-03-1999—continuing
08-08-1999	Gaisal	Justice G.N. Ray, Retired Judge of Supreme Court of India	20-08-1999 to January, 2001
02-12-2000	Sarai Banjara-Sadhugarh	Justice S. Shagir Ahmed, Retired Judge of Supreme Court of India	13-02-2001—continuing

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Recommemdations made by Judicial Commissions are examined by Ministry of Railways and accepted recommendations implemented.

Report of the Justice G. N. Ray Commission of inquiry has been examined. In this report, the Commission has made a total of 21 recommendations of which 18 have been accepted. Accepted recommendations are at various stages of implementation.

The other two Commissions have not yet submitted their reports.